

**CITY OF SOMERVILLE, MASSACHUSETTS
SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN CHAMBERS
REGULAR MEETING – October 17, 2005 - 7:00 P.M.**

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER

Call to order with a moment of silence and a salute to the flag of the United States of America.

II. AWARDS AND CITATIONS

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes to be approved for printing:

September 26, 2005

- Personnel Committee of the Whole Meeting

September 26, 2005

- Finance and Facilities Committee of the Whole Meeting

September 28, 2005

- Long Range Planning Committee of the Whole Meeting

IV. STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

V. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

VI. REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEES

A. *Ed. Programs and Instruction Subcommittee:* Ms. Taylor (Oct. 6)

Subject(s) discussed:

- ✓ High School Exit Surveys
- ✓ Planning the Revision of the Somerville District Curriculum
- ✓ Block Schedules
- ✓ Approval of In-Service Course(s)

Motion(s) from Subcommittee:

- Revise 2003 Pre-K to 8 and 9 to 12 Curriculum Guide to align topics with Massachusetts frameworks.

VI. REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEES (cont.)

- To approve the following In-Service Courses:
 - Culture and Learning
 - Calligraphy: The Art of Beautiful Writing
 - School Improvement to Improve Student Achievement
 - Doing Local History
 - Spanish for Beginners
 - Data to Learning – Using Data to Make Instructional Decisions

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. **Somerville Public Schools School Committee Goals/District Improvement Plan 2005-2006** - Charlene Harris, Chairman, Long Range Planning Committee of the Whole

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Field Trip(s)** – (Recommended Action: Approval)

Nov. 18, 2005: Winter Hill Community School, Mr. Welch, Grade 8 class, to New York City, NY. Transportation by bus (Coach) at a cost of \$93.00 per student.

IX. ITEMS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

X. COMMUNICATIONS

XI. PERSONNEL

There was no personnel report submitted for this evening's meeting.

XII. ADJOURNMENT